GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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ROLE OF MEDIA AT AGRA SUMMIT
BHIM PRASAD DAHAL

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the media both press and electronic has played a damaging role so far as India is concerned with regard to Agra Summit; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b) : Government of India is committed to the ideals of a free media − both press and electronic, in accordance with Article 19 of the Constitution; it is for the media to determine its appropriate role in such circumstances.